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SHOCK AT CLOSURE

Twenty years of help ends as charity runs out of money

By Sam McGregor

A CHARITY that has been supporting the most vulnerable residents for more 20 years has closed.

Oxfordshire Benefits Advice, formerly Banbury Benefits Advice, based in Borough House, Marlborough Road, Banbury, closed on August 31 after its funding ran out.

The centre specialised in giving people free advice about the benefits they were entitled to, and supported them through any appeal process. Yvonne Cox, who took over as the chairman of the charity in January, said: "It has closed. Quite simply, it was a charity and it ran out of money."

The closure comes as figures show more than 160 charities have been wound up across the county in the past two-and-a-half years.

Government figures show 61 charities ceased to exist in 2010, 71 in 2011, and so far 34 have gone this year.

Ms Cox said the benefits advice centre had raised cash itself, and had received some funding from Oxfordshire County Council and Sanctuary Housing.

She said the service was "crucially important" to people. Ms Cox, also a director of co-operative The Oxfordshire Wheel, which supports disabled people, said: "It was important for people wanting help as it gave face-to-face contact and the time to talk them through and support them.

"There's a local citizens advice bureau that's funded by local councils and that's where I would advise people to go."

It is feared the closure of the benefits advice centre will put more pressure on the town's two other advice centres, the town's citizens advice centre and Age UK.

Meanwhile, councillors have raised concerns that some of the town's most vulnerable people could face problems when changes to the welfare system are brought in.

In a bid to raise awareness of the key work the centre did, Labour councillors have put forward a motion which will go before Banbury Town Council next week.

It says: "This council notes with regret the demise of the Oxfordshire Advice Centre in Banbury.

"This particularly at a time when it is predicted some of our poorest and most vulnerable citizens will be adversely affected by imminent welfare reforms."

Town and district councillor Sean Woodcock said he had tried to contact the service several weeks ago but had had no response.

Mr Woodcock said: "It's quite sad to see the loss of the service, especially when unprecedented changes to the welfare system will affect a lot of local people. Many do not even know if they will be affected. It will put more pressure on the CAB and Cherwell District Council."

It is understood Oxfordshire Benefits Advice was set up as Banbury Benefit Advice in the 1990s by the late Brian Neighbour.

It moved to larger offices at Borough House, Banbury, in 2009, as it had outgrown its previous offices.

Town and district councillor Sean Woodcock

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The Air Training Corps Band leads the march through Banbury

Town parade marks battle anniversary

By Fran Bardsley

CROWDS lined the streets of Banbury for a parade of military personnel and civic leaders to mark the anniversary of the Battle of Britain.

The Battle of Britain, which took place from July to October 1940, saw a major air battle for Britain's skies and resulted in a British victory as the Luftwaffe failed to take out the country's air defences.

The Air Training Corps band led the parade from Banbury Town Hall to St Mary's Church for a service on Sunday.

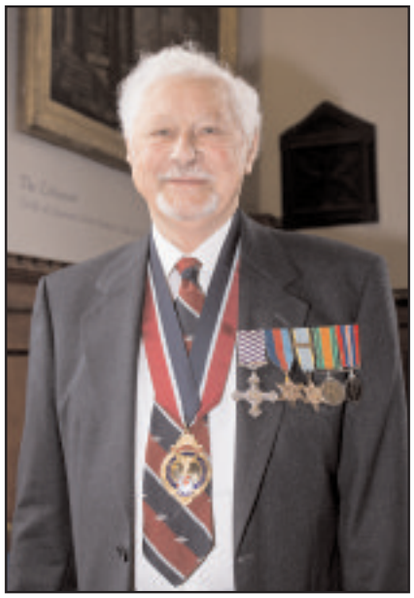
Among those taking part was Flight Lieutenant William Holmes, 90, of Enstone — a recipient of the Distinguished Flying Cross.

He read the poem *High Flight*, which was written by a young American pilot who joined the Canadian Airforce and took part in the Battle of Britain but did not survive.

He said of the parade: "It was well attended as it always is and it was dry, although the sun did not shine.

"It used to be organised by the Banbury branch of the Royal Air Forces Association, of which I am president, but it got a bit much for us so the district council took it over, which ensures it will go on.

"The atmosphere was very good."



Former bomber pilot Fl Lt William Holmes DFC

Beating back the rogue traders

DOORSTEP crimes in Oxfordshire have fallen by eight per cent over the last year.

The county bucked the national trend with a drop in reported incidents of rogue traders from 524 between April 2010 and April 2011 to 480 the following year.

The change has been hailed as a victory by the trading standards service and Thames Valley Police.

Richard Webb, acting head of trading standards, said: "While it is pleasing to see a small decline in the number of doorstep crimes in Oxfordshire last year, it is still worrying that more than one a day is still reported to us.

"We are obviously approaching this in the right way to buck the national trend, but there is still a lot more work to do. Behind every incident is a person and often the impact of these crimes is much more than just financial."

In the past year the joint Doorstep Crime Team – which sees trading standards and police work together – said they saved Oxfordshire residents £133,383, a slight increase on the previous year's total of £127,766.

County councillor Judith Heathcoat said: "The team is an example of best practice and other local authorities visit the team to see how they work."

Anyone with concerns about rogue traders should call 0845 051 0845, using option 2.

Shop raid robber to be jailed

ONE of the men involved in a robbery at a jeweller's has admitted the offence.

Jimmy Stringer was tackled to the ground by a member of the public after the raid on the Michael Jones shop in Banbury High Street last Tuesday.

The 23-year-old, of Maryland Walk, Popham Street, Islington, appeared at Oxford Crown Court and admitted one count of robbery.

He was remanded in custody and told to expect a lengthy prison sentence when he is sentenced on November 9.

Three other men were arrested and will answer police bail on October 21.

Firefighters tackle blaze

A TOASTER sparked a house fire which took 50 firefighters more than three hours to extinguish.

Firefighters were called just after 1pm on Saturday to reports of a cooker fire in a house in Lyneham, near Chipping Norton.

The blaze spread to the first floor and firefighters were forced to create holes in the roof to tackle the fire.

Eight fire engines and about 50 firefighters were sent to bring the fire under control.

The fire was finally extinguished by 4pm.

Incident Commander, Group Manager Jason Crapper, said: "The fire is believed to have started in a toaster and was discovered by the occupier of the house who was alerted by a smoke alarm.

"The occupier did attempt to tackle the fire without success and was fortunate not to have been injured."

Blast danger evacuations

FAMILIES were evacuated from their homes so firefighters could battle a potentially explosive blaze.

The fire service was called to an outbuilding in Enstone Road, Little Tew, at 2pm on Monday and discovered cylinders on fire.

The cylinders contained acetylene, which can explode even after the heat source is removed.

Residents were evacuated – and some spent the night in hotels as the fire service and police set up a 200m cordon around the blaze. Roads through the village, which is near Chipping Norton, were also closed.

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MP says plan for thousands of homes will define boundaries

BANBURY MP Tony Baldry has backed plans for thousands of new homes in Cherwell district.

The Conservative said Cherwell District Council's "local plan" – which is out for consultation – would see off "opportunist" housing plans.

The council hopes that by earmarking sites for 16,750 homes up to 2031, it will have a good reason to refuse any other major schemes.

Sites for Banbury include 1,050 homes at Canalside, to the west of the train line by Bridge Street in Banbury town centre.

It also proposes 800 homes at Hardwick Farm either side of Southam Road, 400 west of Bretch Hill and 400 at "Bankside" off Oxford Road.

Sir Tony said the plan "seeks to define clear boundaries for Banbury" and will combat "outward expansion in every direction".

He said he hoped issues over land ownership and private sector backing could get the Canalside plan off the ground.

He said "significant amounts" of former Ministry of Defence land gave Bicester the chance of a "coherent and sensible" housing plan.

The plan backs 1,794 "eco town" homes to the north west of the town. 650 off the Middleton Stoney road roundabout and more than 2,000 either side of the A41 roundabout to the south east of the town. But Mr Baldry said homes must be matched by jobs.

And he said villages – to take almost 700 homes – should use new "localism" powers to influence how many homes each takes.

Some of the district sites have proved controversial, including a new campaign by Hanwell Fields Development Action Group.

Broadcaster hits switch to hail end of manufacturer's development

Plant production starts after £3m investment

By Andrew Smith

A NEW factory manufacturing plant pots has officially gone into production.

The switch was thrown on the machinery at the Stewart plant in Banbury by broadcaster Pippa Greenwood, marking the end of a nine-month development project involving 30 local and national contractors.

Stewart took over the huge complex on the Beaumont Industrial Estate earlier this year after deciding to switch its headquarters operation to the town from Croydon, Surrey.

The move has involved a £3m investment by the firm, which also makes products for the catering and aerospace industries, and more than 70 workers have either transferred over or been recruited locally. A further 30 staff will be recruited for seasonal work.

Group chief executive Richard Butler said: "We are delighted to have completed this move.

"It means we can invest in world-beating products and manufacturing processes and consolidate our position as a UK manufacturer for many years to come.

"The Banbury location is also ideal for distribution and logistics."

Stewart, founded in 1945, makes moulded plastic products including plant pots, propagators, composters and water butts – as well as food storage units and components for aerospace.

It exports its garden products to EU markets, including France and Spain, while its catering division is expanding in Germany, Belgium and Holland.

The 178,000 sq ft building has been taken on a 15-year lease and is on the site of a former tea warehouse that burned down in the 1970s. It was rebuilt and occupied until recently by DHL.

Pippa Greenwood opens the Stewart factory

InBRIEF

Homeowner saw burglars in home

A 30-year-old woman challenged three burglars she discovered in her Old Grimsbury Road, Banbury, home on Monday evening at about 8.05pm.

The victim heard noises and found the men with scarves covering their faces. They ran off empty handed.

One burglar was white, about 30 and 5ft 5ins, and another was white and wearing a black baseball cap.

Anyone with information should call police on 101.

Chance to speak to police officers

BANBURY residents in the Grimsbury, Cherwell and Easington neighbourhoods can meet their local police officers later this month.

Officers will be at Easington Rec on Wednesday, September 26, from 2.30pm to 3.30pm to discuss concerns.

Homes and pitch plan withdrawn

Plans to build 50 homes, an all-weather pitch and sports hall extension at Banbury Academy were withdrawn before a planning meeting last Thursday.

The former Banbury School, in Ruskin Walk, said the sell-off was vital to pay for the new £750,000 facilities and the land was not formally used for sport.

Poetry evening staged at church

An evening of poetry, prose and music will be held at Malborough Road Methodist Church, Banbury, to raise cash for Katharine House Hospice. Oxfordshire's Poetic Licence will feature at the event on Saturday September 29 at 7.30pm.

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War hero deserves place on memorial

Campaign by Victoria Cross Trust to honour man who was decorated for bravery

THEIR names are set in stone to remind generations to come of the ultimate sacrifice they gave – their lives, for our freedom.

But in Chipping Norton, one hero will soon be forgotten if action is not taken.

George Ravenhill, who was given a Victoria Cross for his brave actions in the Boer War and died as a result of his injuries in the First World War, is not named on the Chipping Norton war memorial, despite living in the town at the time he was called up for service.

By Amanda Williams

Now the Victoria Cross Trust is campaigning to get his name immortalised in stone.

Gary Stapleton, chairman of the trust, said: "It's quite a sad story. George Ravenhill was one of only a handful of people to have his Victoria Cross taken off him.

"It seems after the Boer War he was convicted of stealing some lead.

"His children went to live in America we think, and he came to live in Chipping Norton. He was living there when he went to fight in the First World War."

The awards of eight Victoria Cross recipients were forfeited between 1861 and 1908, including Mr Ravenhill's. But after an impassioned campaign by the sister of Victoria Cross recipient James Collis, who was convicted of bigamy, King George V decided to reinstate all forfeited VCs in 1920, saying "even if a man was hanged for murder, he should be allowed to wear his VC on the scaffold".

Mr Stapleton said he believed Mr Ravenhill's VC would have been reinstated by the time he died as a result of his war wounds and, according to Commonwealth War Graves Commission processes, he should be on the Chipping Norton War Memorial.

He said: "Regardless of whether he had his Victoria Cross or not, this man died as a result of his injuries from the First World War, and he should be on the memorial of the town where he lived."

Mr Stapleton said he did not know whether the soldier had any family in the area, but that the trust would be interested to hear from them if he did.

He said he had written to the town council to see what efforts could be made to have Mr Ravenhill's name inscribed on the memorial.

Chipping Norton Town Council, which is partly responsible for the memorial, said it would look into the history of Mr Ravenhill.

Neville Edwards, branch secretary of the Chipping Norton British Legion, said: "We as a branch will be investigating this and if it is the case that he should be on there and is not, we will certainly make efforts to make sure his name is put on the memorial."

A spokesman for the Commonwealth War Graves Commission said Mr Ravenhill, a member of the Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry, was buried at Witton Cemetery, in Birmingham.

George Ravenhill died as a result of his injuries in the First World War

COURAGE SHOWN WHILE UNDER FIRE

AN EXTRACT from the *London Gazette,* dated June, 4, 1901, reveals how Mr Ravenhill was awarded his VC.

It reads: "At Colenso, on the 15th December, 1899, Private Ravenhill went several times, under a heavy fire, from his sheltered position as one of the escort to the guns, to assist the officers and drivers who were trying to withdraw the guns of the 14th and 66th Batteries, Royal Field Artillery, when the detachments serving them had all been killed, wounded or driven from them by infantry fire at close range, and helped to limber up one of the guns that were saved."

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School shows what a difference support can make to children

Teacher's visit will help dyslexic pupils in Japan

By Oliver Evans

AN ENGLISH teacher and clinical psychologist from Japan visited a school where one in three pupils are dyslexic to learn about teaching methods.

Tomoko Kinoshita spent a week at Sibford School, an independent Quaker co-educational day and boarding school near Banbury.

The Tokyo-based teacher said she was impressed with how the Sibford Ferris school worked with dyslexic pupils.

She said: "I couldn't believe how confident the pupils I met at Sibford were.

"In Japan, pupils with dyslexia are treated as second-class citizens and their confidence is removed.

"I am taking many resources and many different teaching methods back with me, which I look forward to putting into practice."

Dyslexic pupils follow the main school timetable thanks to specialist support, the school said.

Head of support for learning Helen Farley said: "Meeting Tomoko was quite an eye opener.

"Children with learning difficulties in Japan are probably treated like they were here some 40 years ago.

"Tomoko has an uphill struggle and we were delighted that we were able to help her by showing how, with support, children can go from strength to strength."

Tomoko Kinoshita, *left*, and Helen Farley

Hunter slashed activist's rear tyre

A MEMBER of the Heythrop Hunt has been found guilty of slashing the car tyre of an anti-hunt campaigner.

Thomas Macfarlane was convicted of criminal damage following the incident at a hunt on January 7, in which hunt monitor Judy Gilbert had her rear tyre burst.

The 40-year-old pleaded not guilty but was convicted at Banbury Magistrates' Court last Wednesday.

Mrs Gilbert, from High Wycombe, Bucks, said: "I am very pleased with the verdict and that at last someone has been brought to justice for an attack on my vehicle.

"To suffer this kind of attack is very upsetting and such abominable behaviour should not be tolerated."

Macfarlane was fined £110, told to pay compensation of £105.60, a victims' surcharge of £15, and £500 costs to the Crown Prosecution Service.

Police said the attack happened in Chipping Norton.

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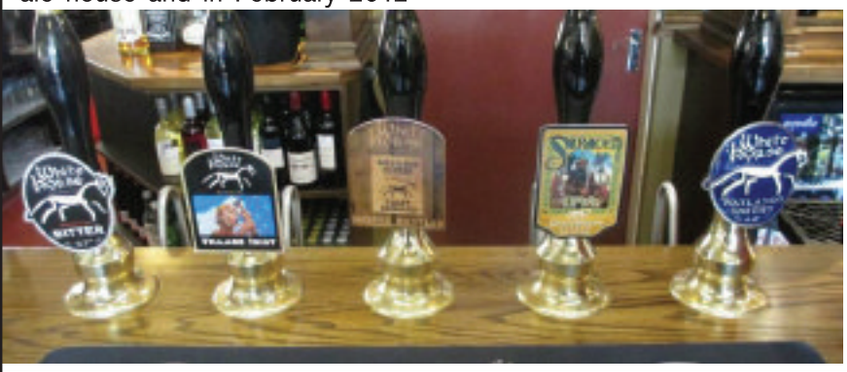

has been quenching the thirst of ale fans since!

Over the last few weeks the pub has been making a few tweaks and changes after learning what Banbury folk would like to see, implementing these is the new manager, Steve Robinson who has migrated from Oxford, he has nearly 20 years' experience within the licenced trade and his passion for cask conditioned ale is evident from tasting one of ten ales on offer!

To celebrate these changes the pub is hosting its own beer festival on Thursday 20th September until Saturday 22nd, with 22 brews from the South West of England, 2 cask ciders and a BBQ it promises to be a great few days. So why not take this opportunity to meet Steve and his team for a warm welcome, see what this pub has to offer, sample the menu but more importantly, sample the beer!

If you would like to find out more about this event and the pub, either drop in or contact:

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Ceremony honours 'inspiring' charities

By Rhianne Pope

A BANBURY charity has been shortlisted in three categories at this year's Oxfordshire Charity and Volunteers Awards 2012.

The Banbury Workers' Educational Association (WEA) provides access to education and learning for adults from all backgrounds – in particular to those who have previously missed out on education. It has been nominated in the Best New Group, Best Fundraising Work and Best Use of Online Tools categories.

The second annual award ceremony aims to celebrate people and charities for their dedication and inspirational work.

More than 20 groups will battle it out for an award at a glittering ceremony in October.

There will also be awards recognising the work of 60 individual volunteers.

The awards are organised by Oxfordshire and Community Voluntary Action (OCVA) and spokesman Kate Hill said they were "overwhelmed" with the number of nominations this year.

She said: "The panel of independent judges had their work cut out shortlisting from such a wide range of outstanding entries."

Charlbury-based charity SpecialEffect, which helps young people with disabilities to enjoy computer games, is up for the Best Fundraising Work award.

Charity spokesman Mark Saville said: "It really is an absolute honour."

The awards event will take place at Oxford Town Hall on October 23.

InBRIEF

Burglar jailed for home raid

BANBURY: A man caught burgling a home has been jailed.

Stephen Marling broke into a home in Banbury High Street on June 25 and then assaulted Pc Lucy McDonagh as she helped arrest him.

The 35-year-old was sentenced at Oxford Crown Court on Friday, September 14, after admitting burglary and common assault.

Marling, of Bond Street, Bourneville, Birmingham, who has 25 previous convictions, was jailed for 876 days.

Driver admits wall smash

BANBURY: A 28-year-old woman drove her car into a wall after a row with her partner.

Debbie Gunter caused £10,371 of damage to a wall in Waltham Gardens, Banbury, on February 13.

Gunter, of Winchelsea Close, Banbury, admitted criminal damage and was sentenced at Oxford Crown Court on Friday, September 14.

She was given 40 hours' unpaid work and told to pay £100 to the property owner.

Sgt Dave Atherton in the cannabis factory, Somerville Court, Banbury Business Park, Adderbury

Cannabis haul 'sniffed out' by tenant

ALMOST 1,000 cannabis plants were found at a North Oxfordshire industrial estate last Friday.

The landlord of the unit at Banbury Business Park, Aynho Road, Adderbury, let police in after another tenant reported smelling the drug at about 10.30am.

Sgt Dave Atherton said he believed the operation – including a watering system – had been active for about three months and could take up to 3,000 plants.

He said: "I have 10 years experience and this is the biggest one I have come across.

"It is a well organised, well planned, commercial set-up rather than something somebody would have in their bedroom for personal consumption."

No arrests have been made. Sgt Atherton said: "We have active lines of inquiry to follow."

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InBRIEF

Railway club holds annual exhibition

■ Banbury and District Model Railway Club is holding its annual exhibition on Sunday, September 23.

A limited edition 00 scale coal wagon will be on sale for the Banbury co-operative society, and refreshments will be available throughout the day.

The show at the Ruskin school will run from 10am to 5pm. Admission is £5 for adults and £3 for children. For more information, visit bdmrc.co.uk.

Information day for guide dog charity

■ People interested in volunteering for Guide Dogs can meet people from the Banbury branch at the town's museum in Marlborough Road this month.

The charity is looking for people to help raise money and assist with administration.

The event on Thursday, September 27, will be held from 11am to 1pm. For information, call 0845 371 7771.

Lowest survival rate in country for cardiac arrests

OXFORDSHIRE'S ambulance service has the worst cardiac survival rate when compared to all other ambulance trusts.

The South Central Ambulance Service (SCAS) has an out of hospital cardiac arrest survival rate of 10.8 per cent.

The trust, which covers Oxfordshire, Buckinghamshire, Berkshire and Hampshire, ranks bottom of 12 trusts.

London has the best survival rate in the country, with 31.7 per cent of cases surviving.

It is the first time all ambulance services in England have measured the survival rate and the figures were published by the Department of Health.

SCAS said it was continuing to improve survival rates.

A spokesman said: "SCAS is aware of the real challenges that exist for all English ambulance services in obtaining reliable data on survival rates from cardiac arrest after patients are discharged from hospital.

"This means it's hard to make direct performance comparisons until each ambulance service is able to get robust data back from all hospitals.

"SCAS is very focused on ensuring that we work together with our partners in all our emergency departments to continue to improve cardiac arrest survival rates."

County councillor Dr Peter Skolar, the chairman of the Oxfordshire joint health overview and scrutiny committee, said he did not think the figures were an accurate reflection of how well the service was doing.

He said: "There is a very simple answer to this.

"The population SCAS serves has more elderly people.

"By 2016 we will have more over 85s than under fives.

"The other problem we have got is that we don't have enough (volunteer) first responders here."

Volunteer community first responders aim to bridge the gap between the 999 call and an ambulance arriving by offering vital help, and can make the difference between life and death.

Every minute a cardiac arrest patient is left without first aid slices 10 per cent off their chances of survival.

Dr Skolar said: "First responders have defibriliators and they can actually save lives.

"I would query whether SCAS is performing badly because I don't believe it."

■ Force praised for tackling criticisms on use of power

Less racial disparity in searches by police

OXFORDSHIRE police are no longer under surveillance for stopping and searching too many people from minorities groups.

Thames Valley Police agreed to cut searches by September this year after being threatened with legal action by the Equalities and Human Rights Commission in 2010.

The commission said the force had "demonstrated significant and persistent race differences" in its use of the stop and search powers.

But last month the force was released from the agreement as the commission said it was satisfied with what it had done to tackle the problem.

Assistant Chief Constable Richard Bennett said: "This is an issue that the force has taken extremely seriously and we are pleased that the commission has agreed to end the legally-binding agreement slightly earlier than expected. The power to stop and search is a valuable tool in tackling criminality. However, Thames Valley Police recognises that its use must be carefully applied to ensure lawfulness and minimise disproportionality."

He said the commission praised the training given to officers and the monitoring carried out by the management team.

He said: "It has been made clear to all officers in Thames Valley Police that stop and search is a power that is to be used sensitively and only where there are reasonable grounds for doing so, and this is reflected by the results achieved.

"As a force we are focusing on training and making sure that every stop and search is lawful, proportionate and necessary.

"This has resulted in a reduction in the number of searches, an increase in positive outcomes and a reduction in race disproportionality."

By Ben Wilkinson

In January, police chiefs defended the force's use of stop and search powers for black and Asian people after figures showed they were not meeting the targets set by the equality organisation.

Searches of black and Asian people in Oxford had gone up from July to September last year, compared to the previous three months.

The target is that for every 1,000 white people, one should be stopped and searched.

And guidelines state that no more than 3.2 black people and 1.5 Asians should be stopped and searched out of every 1,000.

But the figure for stop and searches for black people was 3.4 across the force and 3.7 in Oxford.

John Wadham, general counsel of the commission, said: "We are greatly encouraged by the efforts of Thames Valley Police.

"The force's results show that the police can use intelligence to target stops and searches better. We hope their example will result in better policing, and, in turn, increased public confidence in the service."

Assistant Chief Constable Richard Bennett

Stricter school inspections start

SATISFACTORY is no longer good enough. That is what Oxfordshire schools will hear when they face Ofsted inspections under the new framework, launched this week.

Up until now, schools received one of four judgements – outstanding, good, satisfactory or inadequate. Inadequate schools were issued with notices to improve or placed in special measures.

Now, 'requires improvement' will replace the 'satisfactory' judgement and schools receiving this grading will get support from Ofsted to drive standards until they meet the criteria to be judged 'good'.

Oxfordshire County Council education cabinet member Melinda Tilley welcomed the new regime.

She said: "If you tell people they are satisfactory they assume everything is all right and I don't think some of those judged as satisfactory are all right. This new judgement will make people think a bit about what they need to do."

Schools will also have less warning of inspections, only being told inspectors are coming the afternoon before the visit.

Previously schools had between one and two days' notice.

Schools that are currently rated satisfactory will be given a clean slate before their next inspection, while those judged inadequate and given a notice to improve will be treated as having serious weaknesses.

Figures show 63 per cent of Oxfordshire schools are rated outstanding or good.

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Theatre closed after almost 100 shows

Couple bring curtain down

By Reg Little

FRED Temlett and his wife Valerie loved the theatre so much they decided to create one in their own home.

Since 1971 the couple have been staging plays and musicals in their Grade II listed home to full houses.

Mrs Temlett, a former dancer, reckons to have directed nearly 100 productions, while her husband, a retired teacher, acted as stage manager and made the scenery.

But at the age of 91, Mr Temlett has decided the time has arrived to bring the curtain down on the remarkable theatre at The Grange in Little Tew, set in the heart of the north Oxfordshire countryside.

"We decided we were getting a bit too old to continue running it," said Mr Temlett. "It was getting a bit too demanding and I have been in and out of hospital. The house is such a big place to take care of anyway, with over 20 rooms"

The 70-seat theatre was created in what used to be the single storey servants' buttery of the rambling 170-year-old house, a former rectory.

But now the Temletts are to turn it into accommodation for a live-in carer, which the couple say they now need.

A planning application was approved on Monday, September 10 by West Oxfordshire District Council, allowing them to undertake the conversion.

The seats where thousands of people enjoyed professional and amateur performances over the decades, have already gone.

The sound of applause and laughter have long gone but half a lifetime of drama has left the couple with wonderful memories – although Mrs Temlett struggles to remember all the hundreds of actors to have trodden the boards at The Grange.

Photographs of the Barretts of Wimpole Street and other past productions adorn the walls of the charming theatre bar, created next door to the theatre.

And it wasn't just full length plays performed here: over the years the Grange has seen pantomimes, classical concerts and folk nights.

Fred Temlett in the theatre at his home

As well as directing and overseeing the costumes, Mrs Temlett even wrote some of the plays herself.

"We always sold out. People would travel here from Oxford, Banbury, Burford, Coventry and Stratford," said Mr Temlett, who taught engineering at Banbury School.

"We enlisted our own actors and actresses. But we would also see amateur groups like the Banbury Cross Players and Banbury Operatic Society.

"My wife chose all the plays. We would do Noel Coward classics and modern stuff. We put on everything from Shakespeare to comedy by Neil Simon.

"After covering expenses, the money went to children's charities. I believe we must have raised over £10,000 down the years."

They assembled an impressive group of volunteers, who happily worked as lighting engineers, helped with costumes and acted as front-of-house staff.

The Temletts acquired The Grange in 1956, set in impressive grounds, after it had fallen into a bad state of disrepair. The building was listed in 1987.

The theatre took six months to develop. Although work had involved lowering a floor to create a stage, the buttery conversion cost only £400. They secured the theatre seats from an old cinema in Trowbridge, that happened to be closing. The old library was converted into a bar and another room was made over for use as a coffee lounge.

When it first opened virtually all of their free time was spent arranging productions, rehearsing, building sets or performing.

Mrs Temlett, who once regularly performed in Welsh theatres, said: "A performance of Romeo and Juliet ten years ago is one that remains with me. We have had some well known names here such as Martin Jarvis and Pam Ayres."

The theatre was once regularly used for BBC radio recordings on programmes such as With Great Pleasure, before invited audiences.

The last production came three years ago with the play The Shell Seekers.

As the curtain came down, the pair instinctively knew that the show had come to an end.

Mr Temlett said: "It was quite emotional."

Cash boost for women's aerobics

A COMMUNITY group is celebrating after being awarded a grant.

Banbury's The Sunrise Multicultural Project received £1,400 to run a weekly women's only aerobics class for all ethnicities at Woodgreen Leisure Centre.

The award was made by The Co-operative Membership Community Fund.

Kim Hopkinson, deputy manager for widening participation at The Sunrise Multicultural Project, said: "This is the second year we have had the grant now and it is great we can carry on the work.

"Some of the women would not be able to go out to classes for financial or cultural reasons, so this class gives people an opportunity to get out to do some sport and get fit.

"Everyone who goes enjoys it."

The Community Fund is created by members of The Co-operative Group who choose to donate all, or part, of their twice-yearly dividend payments directly to the scheme.

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Four-year-old Bella Reddy enjoys a cooling ice cream at the event

Canal Day set to be best yet

By Oliver Evans

THIS year's Canal Day celebration in Banbury has been a sell-out, organisers have said.

All boat moorings and stall and sideshow spaces have been sold for the event on Sunday, October 7.

Canal Day has been held in the town centre since 2003 and will this year again offer displays, stalls and entertainment.

Canal taxis will ferry visitors around, while shoppers will be able to explore different boats.

Demonstrations will include blacksmith skills, engines and boat chandlery.

There will be funfair rides outside BHS as well as in Spiceball Park, which will also host horse and cart trips, falconry displays and gliders.

During the day, vintage double decker buses will make tours of the town, while The Mill Arts Centre will host a day of song and dance.

Compton Road will feature a European Market with 50 stalls and a Hook Norton Brewery beer tent.

And a five-hour folk concert will be held by the towpath in the garden of General Foods Social Club.

Town council leader Kieron Mallon said: "Every year, the event has got bigger and better and this year will be the biggest and best yet.

"Everyone is invited to come and enjoy themselves on the day."

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Main political parties announce commissioner candidates

Candidates line up for new police role

John Howson

By Banbury reporter

THE first formal list of candidates for the post of the region's new £85,000 police and crime commissioner job has been revealed.

The three main political parties have now announced their candidates — although more independents could still come forward.

The Thames Valley Police Authority post will be contested by an Oxford Liberal Democrat, a Conservative from Berkshire, and a Labour candidate from Buckinghamshire.

Tim Starkey

Commissioners, who will be elected on November 15, will oversee how forces operate.

The Lib Dems were the last of the three top parties to announce their candidate on Monday.

Their candidate — John Howson, a magistrate who lives in Oxford — has been the victim of a stabbing, four burglaries, and two road accidents.

The former geography teacher was stabbed in the back and in the stomach in front of his class by a former pupil at a school in London in 1977.

He is a former head of education at Oxford Brookes University.

Tim Starkey, a barrister from Amersham, is the Labour Party's choice, while Anthony Stansfeld, a West Berkshire District Council member, is the Tory candidate.

Anthony Stansfeld

InBRIEF

Figures show fall in child poverty

The number of children living in poverty in Oxfordshire has fallen in the last year.

Figures from the Network of Public Health Observatories show there were 15,660 Oxfordshire children living in poverty last year, compared to 15,200 this year.

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InBRIEF

Environment debate held

N OXON: Banbury MP Sir Tony Baldry will be among the guests at a debate on the environment next month.

Other guests will include Oxfam senior researcher Kate Raworth, Earthwatch vice president Nigel Winser, Charity Bank regional manager Peter Hughes and Paul Parrish of the Quaker Council for European Affairs.

The free event takes place at Oxford & Cherwell Valley College in Broughton Road, Banbury on Thursday October 4, from 7.30am to 9.30pm.

Anniversary

ADDERBURY: Events will be held to celebrate the 50th birthday of Christopher Rawlins CE Primary School this month.

An event on Wednesday, September 26, will showcase the work of the school along with an exhibition, from 1.30pm to 7pm.

A church service marking the anniversary will be held at St Mary's Church in the village on Friday, September 28, at 1.45pm.

The exhibition will then be held at the church from 7.30pm to 8.30pm.

For details, email liz_calvert@hotmail.co.uk

New register reveals Oxfordshire MPs' income from other jobs

Banbury MP top of outside earners list

Banbury MP Sir Tony Baldry

BANBURY MP Sir Tony Baldry has topped the list of Oxfordshire MPs' published financial interests.

The House of Commons updates the records, which detail MPs outside earnings, monthly.

Previously, they only had to name their outside employers and directorships in the Register of Members' Interests, and give an indication of how much they were paid if the work was related to their job as an MP.

But after the expenses scandal they now must reveal how much they earn from other jobs, how many hours they worked, and who paid them, even if the work does not relate to their political role.

Sir Tony declared 10 payments of £3,333 each for attending meetings and advising on business opportunities in his role as deputy chairman of Woburn Energy Plc, in London.

He received directors' fees of £30,000 from Taha & Partners Ltd an investment and business development company in Iraq and HCFI Limited, a publicly quoted company in Egypt, alongside his work as a practising barrister, arbitrator and mediator.

By Freddie Whittaker

He also declares his role as an executive partner in Diamond Film Partnership, a partnership promoting UK film and television production rights, payments to employ a £700-a-month research assistant for work with the Associate All-Party Lighting Group, and overseas visits paid for by the Shaheed Nanak Singh Foundation to Delhi and Patiala.

Sir Tony said: "When, nearly 30 years ago, I was elected as the Member of Parliament for Banbury, I was a practising barrister and a company director.

"With the exception of the eight years in which I was a Government Minister, I have throughout my years in Parliament continued to practise at the Bar and be a company director.

"For the avoidance of any doubt, at the last General Election, I made it clear in my election address, that if re-elected, I intended to continue to practise as a barrister and act as a company director."

The latest records show Wantage MP Ed Vaizey has declared no financial interests, and neither has Oxford East MP Andrew Smith.

Nicola Blackwood, for Oxford West and Abingdon, declared donations from the USA Department of State totalling £4,271 for an International Visitor Leadership Program trip in May.

She also declared a donation of £2,239.89 from Save the Children, which paid for a visit to South Sudan.

Prime Minister and Witney MP David Cameron has to date declared honorary membership of the Ellesborough Golf Club, to the value of £1,170 a year, and discounted personal training sessions to the value of £4,475.

But he adds: "I have made a personal donation to a charity of my trainer's choice."

He also declares property in London, from which rental income is received.

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Fans still bask in *Summertime*

READY for a blast from the past? It's hard to believe, but that iconic song *In The Summertime* is 42 years old.

The good news is that Mungo Jerry is still performing to enthusiastic audiences all over Europe – and land in Banbury tomorrow

In The Summertime has sold more than 40 million copies in one form or another. Every year, a new batch of films, TV adverts and cover versions appear and the original song is played by radio stations all around the world. It has been named the most-played summer song ever and has won Ivor Novello and Sony/ATV awards both for itself and writer Ray Dorset. Oh, and the Italian Golden Gondola and the first Iconic Award from the Performing Rights Society.

Mungo Jerry hit the headlines playing at Hollywood Festival, near Newcastle-Under-Lyme, in May 1970. Sharing the stage with the Grateful Dead, Black Sabbath, Traffic, Free and Ginger Baker's Airforce they were the unknown band who blew the crowds away with their irregular drummerless line-up of guitars, banjo, piano, double bass and washboard – fronted by Ray Dorset.

Such was the impact of their set that they were asked to play another the next day. Straight after, the band released *In The Summertime* – the world's first maxi-single, which played at 33rpm instead of the usual 45rpm.

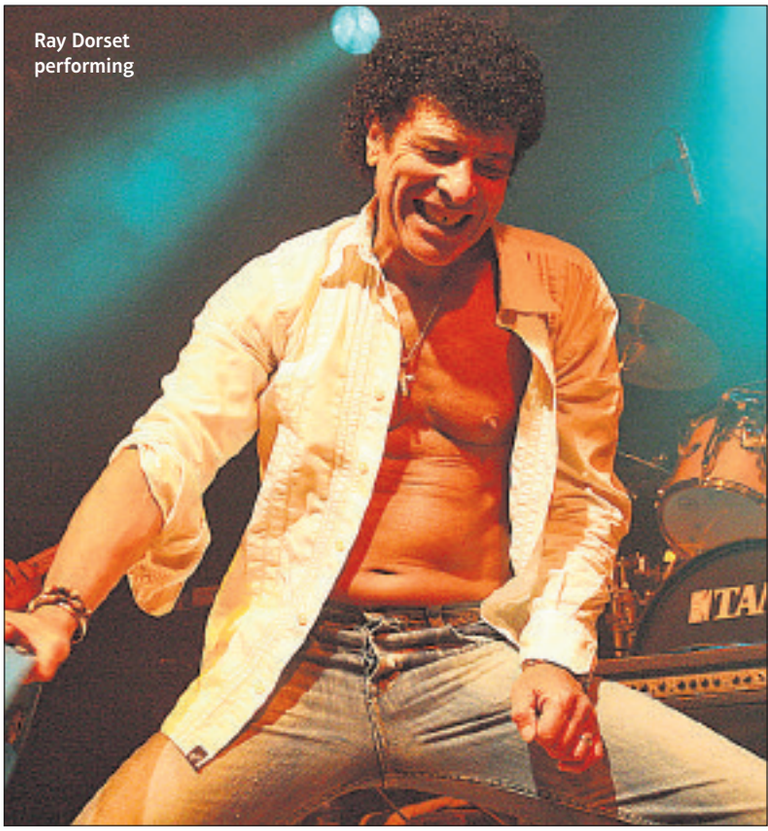
Ray Dorset also wrote a song that he intended to be recorded by Elvis Presley, which became a UK number one and international chart hit for the Scottish songstress Kelly Marie. *Feels Like I'm In Love* was the first UK high-energy disco hit. This made Ray Dorset one of the very few stars to hit the number one spot writing songs for himself and another person.

Today Mungo Jerry play major Blues and Jazz festivals all over the world, performing their own compositions which are a brand of rock, psychedelic blues and American folk, alongside many popular hits. Of course, *In The Summertime* is on the bill – otherwise they might be mobbed by fans.

With a stage show at times over four hours long, Mungo Jerry are still releasing new material, in fact the much-acclaimed albums *Adults Only*, *Naked From the Heart* and *Cool Jesus* have received four and five-star reviews in many publications.

Ray Dorset said he was looking forward to playing at the Mill and connecting with fans on a more intimate level.

■ **Mungo Jerry, King of Groove play The Mill tomorrow (Friday) at 8.30pm. Tickets £18-20. Call the box office on 01295 279002.**



Ray Dorset performing

Folk legends play as a pair

BELLOWHEAD stars John Spiers and Jon Boden bring their acclaimed duo act to The Mill on Saturday.

The two are well known for their involvement as founding members of Bellowhead

But they have played together as a duo for more than a decade and have established themselves as a well respected act on the English traditional music scene, especially among Cropredy festival-goers.

John Spiers plays melodeon and concertina while Jon Boden sings and plays fiddle and guitar while stamping the rhythm on a stomp box.

The combination has been described as a bit like a two-man band. They have recorded five rapturously received albums and, according to *Mojo* magazine, 'given the British folk movement its biggest shot of energy and inspiration for years'.

They come to The Mill via September gigs at Bromyard Folk Festival, Buxton Opera House and St George's Hall, Liverpool.

■ **Spiers and Boden play The Mill on Saturday at 8pm. Tickets £15.**

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JOIN HANDS Sweet Swindon single mum, 39, loves reading, cinema, dining and more, looking for new friends and maybe someone special. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 104988**

LONG LASTING HAPPINESS Thoughtful Oxford female, 41, 5', medium-build, fair-hair, blue-eyes, smoker, likes swimming, holidays, pubs and meals out, seeks a genuine male for friendship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 122427**

LOVE TO TALK Dark-eyed Wilts girl, 43, 5'2'', enjoys nights out, movies and more, searching for an independent gent, to cosy times and conversation. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 113059 or send a text to 80360**

SPARKS FLYING Fun, curvy, green-eyed Wiltshire brunette, 44, looking for genuine, loving guy, to share some caring times and future happiness. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 852093**

FOR HAPPINESS Upbeat Swindon female, 45, 5'4'', would like to meet a male, to go on dates, share company and hopefully form a relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 127393 or send a text to 80360**

IT COULD BE US Spiritual, genuine Didcot woman, 46, attractive, fun, have grown up children, likes clubs, cafes, music, films, walking and reading, seeking a caring and optimistic man, for friendship first. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 123828 or send a text to 80360**

OUR MOMENT Lovely, hard-working, petite woman, 48, likes socialising, city pubs, eating out, seeks similar guy, for fun, laughter & hopefully more. Oxford. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 102616 or send a text to 80360**

LOST FOR WORDS Swindon girl, 48, enjoys socialising, skiing, badminton and more, searching for a down to earth man. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 108304**

HOPE IT'S YOU Happy go lucky, outgoing Trowbridge female, 49, enjoys bowling, cinema, ice skating, would like to meet a fun, happy male, to enjoy life with. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 106719**

SHARING THE GOOD TIMES Cheerful, hazel-eyed female, 49, blonde, medium build, lives & works in Swindon, enjoys travel, dining and the fun things, searching for a spontaneous guy, for good times. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 101568**

SEE FOR YOURSELF Easygoing Swindon woman, 51, 5'5'', own home/car, enjoys walking my dog, socialising and affection, seeks a tactile, loving man, for a warm and lasting relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 104009 or send a text to 80360**

START LIVING AGAIN Friendly, fun Oxfordshire divorced mum, 51, grown up children, looking for love again and someone to share life with. Is the right man out there for me? **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 798804**

SOMEONE EXACTLY LIKE YOU Caring, lovely, bubbly Bicester lady, 53, looking for a tall, kind, caring and romantic man for a lasting loving relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 118921 or send a text to 80360**

I'LL TREAT YOU RIGHT Sincere Swindon woman, 54, GSOH, fun personality, loves nights out, socialising and music, seeks a friendly bloke, to share lots of good times and more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 104377 or send a text to 80360**

THAT SPECIAL PERSON Honest, bubbly female, 55, kind, loving, seeks 6ft+ male, for romance, companionship & lots more. Bicester. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 110670**

SHALL WE DANCE? Blonde, blue-eyed Swindon girl, 55, friendly nature, well-travelled and loyal, lover of life, searching for an active, educated man, who appreciates, food, wine and life in general. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 110895**

HEADLINE NEWS Sincere, reliable Wiltshire lady, 56, likes dogs, travelling and good conversations, seeking an honest, reliable male, for company. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 124692 or send a text to 80360**

FIRENDS FIRST Intelligent, attractive Wiltshire female, 56, widow, brunette, 5'2'', likes radio 4, reading, travel, art galleries and gym, new to area and seeking a similar guy, GSOH, for company and more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 124892 or send a text to 80360**

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TIME TO START AFRESH Black, caring, African Epsom lady, 5'2'', likes countryside, gardening, cooking and holidays, 50-70 for a long term relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 117888 or send a text to 80360**

JUST THE TWO OF US Separated, slim, smart, attractive Marlborough lady, mid-50s, young at heart, likes meals out, dogs, cosy times and more, seeking a friend and soul mate, to go ahead with me in life. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 463351 or send a text to 80360**

COUNTRY WALK? Slim, easygoing Swindon woman, 57, 5'7'', N/S, enjoys walking in the countryside and country pubs, searching for a decent man, to enjoy a takeaway and DVD together. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 100251 or send a text to 80360**

MEANINGFUL TIMES Active, outgoing Trowbridge female, 57, loves cinema, seaside, travelling and animals, would like to meet a man for company leading to a possible relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 117215 or send a text to 80360**

DO YOU HAVE A KIND HEART? Oxford widow, 57, 5'3'', blue-eyes, works full-times, enjoys socialising, walking my dogs, theatre, eating out & family life, seeking a decent man, to enjoy life with. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 123053 or send a text to 80360**

FACING FORWARDS Young at heart, attractive Abingdon woman, 59, GSOH, family orientated, active, enjoys keeping fit and animals, searching for a similar man, fun, honest and genuine, for company and more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 125994**

SEEKING THE RIGHT MAN Separated, attractive Witney female, 60, 5'2'', curvy, likes cooking, evenings in/out and much more, seeks friendly male, to enjoy life with. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 128289 or send a text to 80360**

THE LONG TERM Separated, easygoing Oxon female, 60, likes cooking, evenings in/out and much more, seeks friendly male, to enjoy life with. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 100451**

GENUINE AND CARING Oxfordshire widow, 61, 5'6'', slender build, sociable, caring and well-travelled, searching for a genuine, professional guy, non-smoker, for friendship, maybe lasting love. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 466487**

OVER THE MOON Oxfordshire widow, 61, 5'6'', slender, dark hair, sociable and caring, well-travelled and attractive, seeking a guy who is caring, professional and considerate. Could you be the one? **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 467516**

BE YOURSELF Cuddly, bubbly, caring Kidlington widow, 62, enjoys days out, country walks, dining and theatre, searching for an interesting, honest, non-smoking man, with GSOH, to add a little sparkle to life. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 126022 or send a text to 80360**

FRIENDSHIP, MAYBE MORE... Sociable, active Witney woman, 62, GSOH, widow, attractive, likes meeting people, theatre, drinks, meals out and walking, seeking a similar man, caring and genuine, for friendship and maybe more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 127066**

KNOW WHAT MATTERS Upbeat, cultured, sophisticated Banbury lady, 62, own house and car, likes swimming and wondering about the countryside, would like to meet an up-lifting man, to fill in the gaps. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 123403 or send a text to 80360**

SOCIABLE SORT Tall, blonde Wiltshire girl, 62, enjoys cars, walks, gardening and more, searching for a sociable man, with an active lifestyle, for a loving and lasting relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 452750**

CHATS OVER A PINT? Country woman looking to meet a loving, dark haired, slim man. I'm 63yrs old, 5'7'', slim and fit, love being outside, walking and gardening, Marlborough/Wiltshire **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 112241 or send a text to 80360**

OPEN TO NEW EXPERIENCES Attractive, divorced female, 65, 5'6'', blonde, likes bowling, dancing, music, wltm genuine, tall, good looking N/S chap, 58-68 for good times and much more. Bradford-On-Avon. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 104929**

THE BETTER THINGS IN LIFE Divorced Swindon female, 65, 5'5'', works part-time, likes walking, travelling and cooking, would like to meet a nice sociable gent, with a good lifestyle, to enjoy life with. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 114628**

SO HAPPY TOGETHER Loving, sincere and attractive lady, 66, cuddly, would like to meet a gent who likes country walks, meals out, social drinks and places of interest for companionship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 114914**

DOWN TO EARTH Happy-go-lucky Swindon female, young 71, slim/medium build, loves walks, cooking, gardening, kisses and cuddles, looking for a non-smoking, clean-shaven man, for a loving relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 454288**

GREAT COMPANIONS Wiltshire widow, 73, likes music, theatre, travel and more, searching an easygoing gent, for companionship, friendship and maybe more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 104917 or send a text to 80360**

NICE TO BE WITH Young-minded, retired Chippenham lady, 78, 5'7'', cuddly-build, likes crosswords, holidays, home life, seeking a nice gent, to share good company together. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 128540 or send a text to 80360**

FRIENDSHIP & ROMANCE Genuine, active Oxford male, 28, slim build, 5'7'', caring, enjoys the gym, cycling and generally keeping fit, would like to meet a similar female, honest, GSOH and fun, for friendship and love. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 122941**

HOPING TO MEET YOU Kind, caring Henley guy, 30, easy to talk to and always up for a laugh, looking for some one special, who is honest, kind and chatty, to enjoy life with. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 124455**

WE COULD BE GOOD TOGETHER Down to earth Swindon male, 37, enjoys cycling, walks, travel and lots more, seeks laid back female, for good times and more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 100773 or send a text to 80360**

CALL ME Sociable, friendly Oxford male, 39, intelligent, GSOH, considerate, likes nights out, days away, good food and conversation, seeking a bright and bubbly female, for company and chats. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 124653 or send a text to 80360**

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FUN AND FRIENDSHIP Caring, genuine Didcot guy, 41, GSOH, single, enjoys nights out, pub quizzes, cinema and cosy nights in, searching for a similar woman, for friendship and hopefully romance. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 125734 or send a text to 80360**

PERFECT HARMONY Fun-loving, easygoing, tactile Witney biker, 41, 6ft, stocky build, shaven head and goatee, seeks fun loving, cheeky lady to share life with. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 108035 or send a text to 80360**

SOMEONE TO CLICK WITH Honest, genuine N/S guy, 43, 6'1'', medium build, no ties, lives in Swindon, likes theatre, bowling, meals out, seeks single female, for ltr. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 107035**

ROMANCE IS ALIVE Happy go lucky male, 45, no-ties, likes walking my dog, gardening, watching football and meals out, seeking an easygoing female, 40-50, for friendship and romance. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 124415 or send a text to 80360**

LIFE IS MADE FOR TWO Happy, active Abingdon man, 46, GSOH, med build, positive, enjoys walking, swimming and cinema, would like to meet a similar lady, 50-65, fit and positive, for friendship and maybe more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 114348 or send a text to 80360**

CHANGE OF LUCK? Warm, blue-eyed Banbury male, 46, 6ft, kind and truthful, intelligent and thoughtful, searching for an understanding woman, to share and enjoy a quiet and happy life with. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 125562 or send a text to 80360**

OFFER ME YOUR LOVE Happy go lucky Windsor male, 46, enjoys cooking, walks, tennis, swimming and theatre, looking for a long term relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 126273 or send a text to 80360**

IT'S NOT UNUSUAL Friendly Witney male, 47, 6', blue eyes, enjoys sports, music, cosy nights in, going out and having a laugh, would like to meet a female friend, for good company and laughter. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 115039 or send a text to 80360**

TAKE A TRIP WITH ME Open minded Oxford guy, 50, likes all kinds of music, reading, visiting galleries, going to the cinema, eating out, walking and good conversation, wltm a female to share good times with. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 115321 or send a text to 80360**

LOVE TO HAVE A LAUGH Friendly, warm hearted Abingdon male, 50, good sense of humour, would like to meet a caring matured guy, to enjoy good times together, for a long term relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 115894**

TIME FOR A CHANGE Friendly, expressive and vibrant Kidlington male, 51, would like to meet a life-loving, interesting lady, to share the future together. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 114479 or send a text to 80360**

SIMILAR IDEAS Down-to-earth Kidlington male, 52, enjoys swimming, walks, cinema and dining, searching for a loving female, for a steady relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 125598 or send a text to 80360**

LET'S DO IT Upbeat, friendly man, 53, good sense of humour, into most things, travelling, good foods, looking for love and romance. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 110840**

NOT TO BE MISSED Spontaneous, caring, hard-working Oxford guy, 54, likes music, cooking, live bands, good wine and F1, would like to meet a simple woman, to share life with. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 115773 or send a text to 80360**

LET'S FIND EACH OTHER Recently separated Bicester chap, 54, 6'1'', many interests, seeking a woman for a long term relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 121412**

A FUTURE FILLED WITH LAUGHTER Divorced, young at heart male, 55, own house in Oxford, likes cinema, theatre and clubs, seeks caring female for happy times and more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 107632**

MAKING IT HAPPEN Laid-back male, 56, 5'7'', muscular build, looking for a fun female, 40-60, for fun, laughter & more. Reading. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 104111**

MAKE THE CONNECTION Sensitive, charming and loyal Oxford male, 57, searching for a bubbly, humourous woman, for love and an honest future together. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 108952**

THE FUTURE'S BRIGHT Divorced Abingdon male, 57, likes karaoke and socialising, would like to meet a decent woman, to enjoy good times with. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 123203**

MADE FOR EACH OTHER Handsome, healthy, friendly, easygoing Marlborough gent, 59, non-smoker, enjoys the outdoors, would like to meet an attractive lady to share friendship and more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 120679 or send a text to 80360**

LONG LASTING HAPPINESS Fairly fit Banbury man, 60, 5'11'', fair-hair, blue-eyes, works as electrician, looking for a nice lady around the same age, for friendship possibly leading to more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 122384**

CONFIDENTLY YOURS Widowed chap, 60, 5'10'', own home/business, Witney based, enjoys music, country walks, pubs, fishing, gardening, seeks outgoing female, to enjoy life again. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 107964**

ROOM WITH A VIEW Easygoing Oxford male, 61, likes wining and dining, theatre, holidays, pubs, clubs, seeking a genuine female, for good times and more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 126505 or send a text to 80360**

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CARING NATURE Witty, flexible and original Witney bloke, 58, looking to find a witty, helpful woman, for a special and lasting relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 111595**

SHARING GOOD TIMES Upbeat Burford widower, 58, own cars, works full time, likes days in and out, countryside walks, driving, looking for a similar woman for companionship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 117916 or send a text to 80360**

TAKE A BREAK WITH ME Friendly, caring Banbury widower, 59, enjoys dog walks, country pursuits and travel, seeking an affectionate woman, 40-60, for genuine companionship, company hopefully leading to more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 125459 or send a text to 80360**

PASSION FLOWER Young-looking, Wallingford 59yr old, 5'9'', dark hair, wears glasses, enjoys cinema, bowling, days out and socialising, seeks loving, loyal female, for lasting relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 101122**

THE BEST IS YET TO BE Caring, romantic Bicester male, 59, works full-times, loves weekend away, car boot sales and walking, looking for a lady 48-55 to share life and love with. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 118655**

READY TO MOVE ON Young, caring Didcot guy, 63, 5'9'', enjoys the sea, reading and boating, would like to meet a similar lady for companionship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 117043 or send a text to 80360**

MORE IN TIME Self-employed Witney male, 64, loves cinema, theatre, eating out and more, searching for a serious-minded lady, for a loving and supportive relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 109413 or send a text to 80360**

LET'S SHARE THE GOOD THINGS Well preserved male, 65, 5'10'', adequate intelligence, passably handsome, active, inquisitive, liberal outlook, wltm bright, youthful lady for loving relationship and interesting times. Witney **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 108871**

LOOKING FOR LTR Youthful, solvent, active retired businessman, 66, 5'9'', 11st, own home and car, loves music, places of interest and experiencing the new, seeking a loving, feminine woman, to share a warmth. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 109799**

LOVING LIFE Loyal, solvent North Oxfordshire gent, 66, 5'9'', loves soul and motown, coffee and theatre, searching for an attractive, interesting lady, 50-65, to share and explore interesting times. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 104998**

KINDRED SPIRITS Presentable, educated chap, 66, enjoys the arts, history, places of interest, exploring towns/countryside on foot, wltm attractive, vivacious lady, for romance. Oxford. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 101058**

DESTINATION HAPPINESS Divorced, retired Wallingford male, 66, genuine, GSOH, relaxed, enjoys travel, animals, cooking, meals out and watching the world go by, seeking a fun, sincere, N/S female, for company. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 130619 or send a text to 80360**

KEEN ON MOST THINGS Confident Plymouth widower, 67, 6', clean-shaven, enjoys a game of golf, seeking a lady, 55-65, to enjoy nice times with. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 130358**

NICE DAYS AHEAD Easygoing, non-smoking Abingdon widower, 70, 5'9'', enjoys travel, pub meal and car boot sales, would like to meet a nice non-smoking lady, to settle down with. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 116036 or send a text to 80360**

SOUL TO SOUL Divorced, active male, 77, looks younger, 5'5'', N S, i enjoys pubs meals, car boot sales, crosswords and cosy times, wltm charming lady, to share quality times. Oxford area prefered. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 100937**

ARE YOU THE ONE Easygoing Christian female, 41, 5'6'' brunette living in Devizes, thoughtful, caring, affectionate & young at heart, wltm like minded lady, for friendship/committed relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 107470 or send a text to 80360**

HOPE THIS WORKS Cuddly Swindon lady, 47, easygoing and fun to be with, looking for friendship leading to more with a nice, friendly, bubbly woman. Where are you? **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 851817 or send a text to 80360**

BEST FRIENDS FOREVER Thoughtful, caring, placid Swindon female, 48, fit and outgoing, lives a healthy fit lifestyle, seeking other straight females, for genuine friendship and good company. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 128139**

TIME FOR EACH OTHER Good-looking Abingdon male, 47, would like to meet a guy, for fun, laughter and good company. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 124784**

PUTTING THE SPARK BACK Easygoing, stocky built Oxford guy, 49, blue eyes, likes pubs, cinema, the arts, looking for a similar man 35-60, for companionship and hopefully we'll see where it leads to. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 115976 or send a text to 80360**

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InBRIEF

Annual meeting of health service

■ **The annual public meeting of the NHS Buckinghamshire & Oxfordshire Cluster will be held on Wednesday, September 26.**

The meeting will look at the performance of the cluster during the past financial year.

People attending can also hear about the Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group (OCCG), which will take over responsibility for planning and purchasing healthcare, and be able to put questions to the senior management team.

The meeting is at Jubilee House, John Smith Drive, Oxford Business Park South, from 5pm-6.30pm.

To attend, email media.office@oxfordshirepct.nhs.uk or call 01865 334643.

Air ambulance is near £4m target

■ The air ambulance service will soon be able to fund specialist doctors on flights if it reaches a £4m donation target.

The Thames Valley and Chiltern Air Ambulance (TVCAA) also hopes to fly longer hours if it can reach the figure through public donations.

It costs the service, which covers Berkshire, Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire, more than £2,000 for every mission, with about three deployments a day.

The TVCAA relies entirely on public donations.

■ Council likely to face bill in aiding scheme

Taxpayers may take the cost of electrifying rail

By Freddie Whittaker

COUNTY taxpayers could end up footing the bill for work to electrify railways through Oxfordshire.

Network Rail is due to start the process of electrification of railways through the county in order to introduce electric trains on some routes, and highways works may have to be carried out by the county council at the same time.

They hope to introduce electric trains on key routes such as the Oxford to London Rail route and East-West rail route via Bicester to Milton Keynes.

In a report, the council's environment and economy director Mark Kemp said the authority was likely to face costs.

He said: "Depending on the nature of the works required by Network Rail to the bridges, these could include raising of the highway, installation of safety barriers, installation of traffic management, potentially including traffic signals, and/or other works to the highway.

"In addition, construction works may require temporary stopping up of the highway, with resultant diversions for traffic.

"Whilst the detail of the programme of bridge works is still being developed, it is clear that there will be resource and financial implications for the county council.

"It is currently unclear whether Network Rail will compensate the county council for any of our staff costs involved in helping facilitate their electrification scheme, or whether they will be paying any commuted sums for any additional highway maintenance liabilities that may arise as a direct result."

Network Rail spokesman Chris Denham said: "We're at an early stage with our plans to electrify the line through Oxford and, in line with government's aspirations to reduce the cost of running and maintaining the railway, it's essential the upgrade is delivered efficiently.

"Our starting point is to modify bridges and structures on a like-for-like basis. However, we do recognise that in some cases wider improvement work will be necessary and this will be identified as the detailed plans emerge.

"We're also speaking to councils to understand more about their aspirations for the road bridges in the area so that, wherever possible, our work can be combined and disruption to local communities minimised."

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Powerful header scores victory for United against well-matched Chippenham

First win against side in five years

JACK Ashton's second-half header earned Banbury United their first win of the season at Spencer Stadium on Saturday.

It broke the hoodoo Chippenham had held over Banbury, with the Puritans having failed to register a win against the Wiltshire side in 15 games stretching back to March 2007.

Boss Edwin Stein gave debuts to centre back James Sage, on a month's loan from Peterborough United, and midfielder Warren Plowright, who has joined from Dunstable Town.

Former Brazilian MK Dons scholar and Grasshoppers of Zurich Under 21 winger Igor Coronado also came on to make his debut from the bench, while another new signing, midfielder Adam Fry, was an unused substitute.

Banbury Utd (Ashton 73)	**1**
Chippenham Tn	**0**

The best chance of the first half fell to the visitors, but James Guthrie was off target from Luke Ballinger's cross.

Play remained even but Banbury broke the deadlock in the 73rd minute, when Dan Lawlor swung in a corner for Ashton to power a header past keeper Conor Thomson.

Alan Griffin blasted over a good chance to equalise for Chippenham, while Ricky Johnson and Adeyinka Talabi were both denied by Thomson.

Banbury Utd: Cross, Cray, Howell, Plowright, Ashton, Sage, Polk, Lawlor, Johnson, Woodley (Coronado 85), Talabi. Subs not used: Kusi, Fry, Lorraine.
Attendance: 234.

■ BANBURY United must wait to find out who they will entertain in the FA Carlsberg Trophy first qualifying round on September 29 after Clevedon Town drew 2-2 at home to Wimborne Town.

Jack Ashton wheels away in delight after grabbing the winner in Banbury United's 1-0 victory over Chippenham

Former rivals hope to prove a winning team

REIGNING World Touring Car champion Yvan Muller will compete in the Banbury-built Mini John Cooper Works WRC at Rally France in October.

The Prodrive WRC Team will run Muller alongside Dani Sordo in identical Mini WRCs at the Strasbourg tarmac event from October 4-7.

Muller is a three-time World Touring Car champion and is competing in the 2012 series. While circuit racing is his speciality, he has also competed in the Dakar Rally, as well as at Rally France in 2010 and 2011.

He tested the Mini WRC at Prodrive's proving ground in July and will spend a further day at Prodrive's track the week before Rally France.

Muller said: "I am really looking forward to competing in my home event in a top level world rally car after last year's run in an S2000. I have only had a day to familiarise myself with the Mini, but the balance of the chassis immediately gave me a great deal of confidence.

"As both my Chevrolet touring car and the Mini use similar 1.6 turbo engines, the performance was nearly the same. My target will still be a finish in the points."

Dave Wilcock, Prodrive WRC Team principal, said: "In Prodrive's British Touring car days in 98, 99 and 2000 I engineered several cars and we had great battles with Yvan. This will be the first time we have been on the same side."

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TAURUS Apr 20-May 20
Stop reading into the words that other people are saying and look at the facts instead. It is quite clear that the planets are making you more emotional than usual. Why not try using this energy to finish off the work matter that has been troubling you instead. Call now to hear about your future.
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You are under more pressure than you thought to sort out a personal problem but you really could do with a little more time. A younger person is looking to you for some special attention as they try to make a very important decision about their lives. Make sure you think before you answer, they're likely to take every word you say more seriously than you'd think. Call now to hear more.
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A rather intense mood is likely to see you taking the words of friends and loved ones a little too much to heart. Try to lighten up Cancer, or you will not be offered the exciting invitation that someone is holding for you. The number 5 links to monetary matters and to good luck in business ventures. Call my starline now to hear which sign you must not share your secrets with at this time.
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Finances are spiralling out of your control and it is important that you don't cast yourself in an unworthy light to close ones who are trying to decide if they should make a deeper commitment or not. Deal with your problems now and properly, so that they stay away and that you can move on. Call my starline now to hear how Venus is about to hot up your love life.
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You must stop and think about the actions that you are planning on taking. More people are going to be involved in the upcoming changes than you may have first realised. Be nice to Leos who can do many favours for you, throughout the coming three weeks. Life is about to take on a more meaningful feel and about time too, Virgo. Call now for a more in-depth view.
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An upset in your domestic circle is making it difficult for you to do as you would wish. If you don't like the atmosphere then sort it out. There does not appear to be a valid reason for this air of awkwardness anywhere, apart from someone's very stubborn nature. Money matters can and should be brought to a successful conclusion if you plan and use your time well. Call now to hear more.
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Victorian home has lots of room

OCCUPYING an elevated position in the beautiful North Oxfordshire countryside, Tourney House has one of the best views in the area, according to agents.

Originally named The Castle, this elegant, spacious Victorian property is situated in the village of Hornton and was built from local stone for the quarry manager.

Approached up steps from the village lane, the entrance hall, with flagstone floor, nestles between a sitting room, with a Hornton stone fireplace and a family room, both with stone mullion windows to the front, taking full advantage of the view.

The kitchen/breakfast room occupies an architect-designed extension and features sliding glazed doors, opening onto a dining terrace.

By Gill Oliver

There are fixed units and solid worktops with space for a range cooker, dishwasher and fridge/freezer. There is also a home office and a further music room/study.

Upstairs there are four bedrooms with high ceilings and stone mullion windows, as well as a modern family bathroom.

The garden, built into the hill of the site, has been landscaped to create different terraces that offer additional dining areas. There is also a pond, along with herbaceous borders and established trees and shrubbery.

The garage, once a two-storey cottage, provides extensive storage space or has scope to be converted into a home office, studio or secondary accommodation.

Helen Stevens, spokesman for agents Savills, said: "Tourney House is an idyllic period property nestled up on the hills of this quaint village, offering a family the chance to own a unique property in a stunning setting."

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Despite these difficulties, nearly half (48%) of the 1464 landlords polled in August 2012 by LSL believe that now is a good time to invest in property, while less than 1% think it is now a good time to reduce their portfolios.

Four-fifths of landlords who think now is a good time to buy rental property cited attractive property prices, while 53% mentioned strong tenant demand.

Maria Lucas, Managing Director of Let Lucas Rental Specialists said: "House prices are subdued in many parts of the county yet tenant demand is still growing. This is presenting landlords with the opportunity to secure strong yields on properties, and boosting confidence in buy-to-let as a long-term investment."

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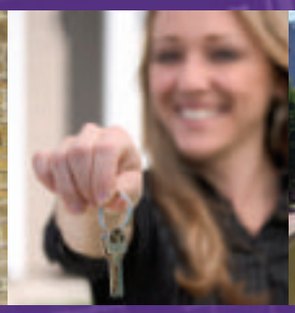

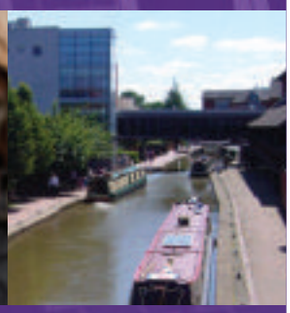

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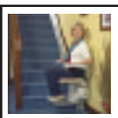

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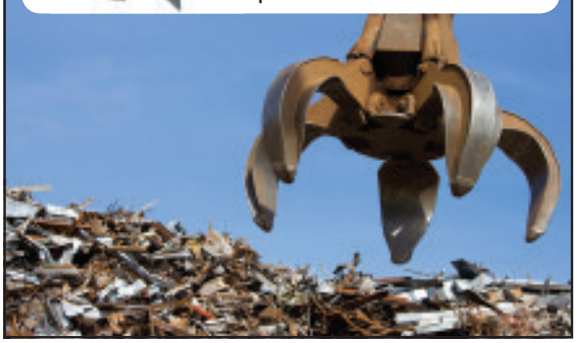

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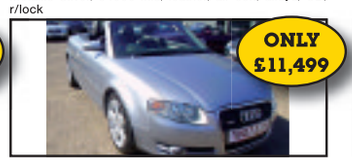
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